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under paragraph (a) of this section shall be the date requested by the Governor, but no earlier than January 1, 2004, or 90 days from the effective date of Agency approval of a revision to the plan that removes RFG as a control measure, whichever date is later.

- (6) For opt-out petitions received on or after January 1, 2004, except as provided in paragraph (c)(7) of this section, the Administrator shall set an effective date for removal of an area as requested by the Governor, but no less than 90 days from the Agency's written notification to the state approving the opt-out petition.
- (7) For opt-out petitions received on or after January 1, 2004, where RFG is contained as an element of any plan or plan revision that has been approved by the Agency, other than as a contingency measure consisting of a future opt-in, then the effective date for removal of an area under paragraph (a) of this section shall be the date requested by the Governor, but no less than 90 days from the effective date of Agency approval of a revision to the plan that removes RFG as a control measure.
- (d) The Administrator shall publish a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER announcing the approval of any petition under paragraph (a) of this section, and the effective date for removal.

[61 FR 35680, July 8, 1996, as amended at 62 FR 54558, Oct. 20, 1997]

§ 80.73 Inability to produce conforming gasoline in extraordinary circumstances.

In appropriate extreme and unusual circumstances (e.g., natural disaster or Act of God) which are clearly outside the control of the refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender and which could not have been avoided by the exercise of prudence, diligence, and due care, EPA may permit a refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender, for a brief period, to distribute gasoline which does not meet the requirements for reformulated gasoline, or does not contain the type(s) and amount(s) of oxygenate required under §80.69(b)(1), if:

(a) It is in the public interest to do so (e.g., distribution of the nonconforming gasoline is necessary to meet projected shortfalls which cannot otherwise be compensated for);

- (b) The refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender exercised prudent planning and was not able to avoid the violation and has taken all reasonable steps to minimize the extent of the nonconformity;
- (c) The refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender can show how the requirements for reformulated gasoline will be expeditiously achieved;
- (d) The refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender agrees to make up air quality detriment associated with the nonconforming gasoline, where practicable; and
- (e) The refiner, importer, or oxygenate blender pays to the U.S. Treasury an amount equal to the economic benefit of the nonconformity minus the amount expended, pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section, in making up the air quality detriment.

[38 FR 1255, Jan. 10, 1973, as amended at 71 FR 26700, May 8, 2006]

§80.74 Recordkeeping requirements.

All parties in the gasoline distribution network, as described in this section, shall maintain records containing the information as required in this section. These records shall be retained for a period of five years from the date of creation, and shall be delivered to the Administrator of EPA or to the Administrator's authorized representative upon request.

- (a) All regulated parties. Any refiner, importer, oxygenate blender, carrier, distributor, reseller, retailer, or whole-sale-purchaser who sells, offers for supply, stores, transports, or causes the transportation of any reformulated gasoline or RBOB, shall maintain records containing the following information:
- (1) The product transfer documentation for all reformulated gasoline or RBOB for which the party is the transferor or transferee; and
- (2) For any sampling and testing on RBOB or reformulated gasoline:
- (i) The location, date, time, and storage tank or truck identification for each sample collected:
- (ii) The identification of the person who collected the sample and the person who performed the testing;
 - (iii) The results of the tests; and